

## REMARKS

Applicants have amended their claims herein to better clarify the invention. Claims 1, 20, and 31, are amended herein to recite a motorcycle audio system. Support can be found in the Specification, *inter alia*, on Page 1 at Lines 6-9 (Paragraph [0002]), and Page 8 at Lines 11-13 (Paragraph [0034].

Claims 1, 20, and 31, are further amended herein to recite a plurality of audio accessories comprising a music source, a cellular telephone, a radar detection device, a microphone, and a geographic designation system. Support can be found in the Specification on Page 4 at 18 through Page 5 at Line 12 (Paragraphs [0014] and [0015], and in FIG. 1 at elements 102, 104, 110, 112, and 114.

Claims 1, 20, and 31, are further amended herein to recite a programmable controller. Support can be found in the Specification at Page 5 at Lines 16-18 (Paragraph [0017]), and on Page 20 at Lines 19-21 (Paragraph [0061].

No new matter has been entered. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 14-16, 20, 21, 25-27, 31, 32, and 36 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ishigaki et al. (US 4,347,5100) in view of Adams (US 6,594,366).

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ishigaki et al. in view of Adams and DeLine et al (US 6,420,975).

Claims 13, 24, and 35, stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ishigaki et al. in view of Adams and Eggers US 5,910,996).

Ishigaki et al. nowhere teach a motorcycle audio system comprising, or interconnected to, a plurality of audio accessories including a music source, a cellular telephone, a radar detection device, a microphone, and a geographic designation system, as recited by Applicant's claims 1, 20, and 31, as amended herein. In addition, Ishigaki et al. nowhere teach a motorcycle audio system comprising a switching device comprising a programmable controller as recited by Applicant's claims 1, 20, and 31, as amended herein.

Adams nowhere teaches a motorcycle audio system comprising, or interconnected to, a plurality of audio accessories including a music source, a cellular telephone, a radar detection device, a microphone, and a geographic designation system, as recited by Applicant's claims 1, 20, and 31, as amended herein. In addition, Adams nowhere teaches a motorcycle audio system comprising a switching device comprising a programmable controller as recited by Applicant's claims 1, 20, and 31, as amended herein.

In *KSR International Co. v. Teleflex Inc.*, 127 S. Ct. 1727, 167 L. Ed. 2d 705 (2007), the Supreme Court held that the analysis of *Graham v. John Deere Co. of Kansas City*, 383 U.S. 1, 86 S. Ct. 684, 15 L. Ed. 2d 545 (1966), control an obviousness inquiry. The *Graham* obviousness factors include "the scope and content of the prior art" and the "differences between the prior art and the claims". *KSR*, 127 S. Ct. at 1734 (quoting *Graham*, 383 U.S. at 17-18).

For the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that Ishigaki et al. in combination with Adams fail to teach or suggest all the elements of Applicants' claims 1, 20, and 31, as amended herein. Therefore, Applicants further respectfully submit that claims 1, 20, and 31, as amended herein, are patentable over the combined teachings of Ishigaki et al. and

Adams.

Claims 3-8, 10, and 14-16, as amended herein, depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 1, as amended herein. Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, fourth paragraph, "a claim in dependent form shall be construed to incorporate by reference all the limitations of the claim to which it refers." "If an independent claim is nonobvious under 35 U.S.C. 103, then any claim depending therefrom is nonobvious." MPEP 2143.03; *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071, 5 USPQ2d 1596 (Fed.Cir. 1988). This being the case, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 3-8, 10, and 14-16, as amended herein, are patentable over the combined teachings of Ishigaki et al. and Adams.

Claims 21, and 25-27, as amended herein, depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 20, as amended herein. Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, fourth paragraph, "a claim in dependent form shall be construed to incorporate by reference all the limitations of the claim to which it refers." "If an independent claim is nonobvious under 35 U.S.C. 103, then any claim depending therefrom is nonobvious." MPEP 2143.03; *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071, 5 USPQ2d 1596 (Fed.Cir. 1988). This being the case, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 21, and 25-27, as amended herein, are patentable over the combined teachings of Ishigaki et al. and Adams.

Claims 32 and 36, as amended herein, depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 31, as amended herein. Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, fourth paragraph, "a claim in dependent form shall be construed to incorporate by reference all the limitations of the claim to which it refers." "If an independent claim is nonobvious under 35 U.S.C. 103, then any claim depending therefrom is nonobvious." MPEP 2143.03; *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071, 5 USPQ2d 1596 (Fed.Cir. 1988). This being the case, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 32 and 36, as amended herein,

are patentable over the combined teachings of Ishigaki et al. and Adams.

Eggers et al. teach an audio system that provides two simultaneous audio programs. Col. 2 / Lines 10-12. Eggers et al. nowhere teach a motorcycle audio system comprising, or interconnected to, a plurality of audio accessories including a music source, a cellular telephone, a radar detection device, a microphone, and a geographic designation system, as recited by Applicant's claims 13, 24, and 35, as amended herein. In addition, Eggers et al. nowhere teach a motorcycle audio system comprising a switching device comprising a programmable controller as recited by Applicant's claims 13, 24, and 35, as amended herein. This being the case, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 13, 24, and 35, as amended herein, are patentable over the combined teachings of Ishigaki et al., Adams, and Eggers et al.

DeLine et al. teach a vehicular sound system wherein at least some of the system components are disposed in a rearview mirror assembly. Col. 2 / Lines 47-50. More specifically, DeLine et al. teach that a "cigarette lighter" type of socket could be provided at the rear or bottom of the housing for a rearview mirror "into which a vehicle occupant can plug an electrically operated (typically 12V) accessory such as a radar detector or the like." Col. 30 / Lines 1-6.

DeLine et al. nowhere teach a motorcycle audio system comprising, or interconnected to, a plurality of audio accessories including a music source, a cellular telephone, a radar detection device, a microphone, and a geographic designation system, as recited by Applicant's claim 9, as amended herein. In addition, DeLine et al. nowhere teach a motorcycle audio system comprising a switching device comprising a programmable controller as recited by Applicant's claim 9, as amended herein. This being the case, Applicant respectfully submits

that claim 9, as amended herein, are patentable over the combined teachings of Ishigaki et al., Adams, and DeLine et al.

Having dealt with all of the outstanding objections and/or rejections of the claims, Applicants submit that the application as amended is in condition for allowance, and an allowance at an early date is respectfully solicited. In the event there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge them, or credit an overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 502262.

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